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## BANTAMS IN BATTLE THIS EVE

Pete Herman, the King, Will Meet Joe Lynch, Challenger, in N. Y.

BY JACK VEBECK  
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Vest pocket gladiators will hold the festive spot light here tonight when Pete Herman, bantam king, meets Joe Lynch, foremost challenger for the title.

Herman and Lynch will clash at Madison Square Garden before a crowd of more than 12,000 boxing fans. The bout is scheduled for 15 rounds to a decision with the bantamweight championship weighed in the balance.

Tonight's battle will be the fourth between the little scrappers and the first to a decision. In their previous engagements they met in no-decision bouts with the honors slightly in favor of Herman.

Interest in the mill was kept here today. Lynch, who is extremely popular with Gothamites, is said to be in great condition. He has demonstrated that he carries a knockout punch and is conceded to have an excellent chance to win the championship.

The champion, who respects Lynch, is confident he can take care of his laurels. Herman has everything to lose and little or nothing to gain meeting Lynch. He is matched to box Jimmie Wilde in London Jan. 14 and in order to be a drawing card abroad he must dispose of the New Yorker. He was a slight favorite in the betting here today. The rivals will enter the ring weighing in the neighborhood of 120 pounds. The articles call for 118 pounds at 2 o'clock but with between seven and eight hours to take on weight each boxer should pick up a pound or two. Tex Rickard, the promoter, will present the winner with a diamond studded belt emblematic of the bantamweight championship.

The bout tonight will be the first bantamweight championship affair actually held in New York city in 21 years and also the first during the present century.

Twenty years ago on Dec. 22, 1899, Terry McGovern, who claimed the bantam weight title when Jimmy Barry retired undefeated, knocked out Harry Forbes, of Chicago, in two rounds at the old Broadway A. C.

## DEMPSEY OFFERS TO SPEAK WITH MITTS

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 22.—Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight boxing champion, threw out a challenge yesterday which was not accepted.

The champion was the guest at the local Rotary Club's luncheon. He declared that he was not a speaker, which reminded him of the story of the man who went to a dance and could not sing or dance, but was willing to fight. "To be sociable, I will fight any one in the room," Dempsey said amid laughter.

## N. Y. SIMOLEONS LURE SHARKEY AND PAL MOORE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Negotiations are under way for a fifteen round contest between Pal Moore, the Memphis bantam, and Jack Sharkey at Madison Square Garden on Dec. 29.

Tex Rickard has about given up hope of getting Andy Chaney, the Baltimore boxer, to meet Billy De Foe, the St. Paul flash, because of demands by the principals which he considers unreasonable.

With the proposed Moore and Sharkey match, Rickard has in mind a match between Lou Bogash, the hard hitting welterweight of Bridgeport, Conn., and Jack Perry, of Pittsburgh. It is believed these two boys will be carded for fifteen rounds on the same night that the two bantams mingle.

Bill Brennan is being swamped with offers from all over the country to show his wares. The big Chicago boxer is considering all overtures.



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## NOW HARRY GREB WANTS TO MEET CHAMPION JACK



Harry Greb.

Bill Brennan's great showing against Jack Dempsey has made other heroes more confident than ever that they can hold their own with the champion. Harry Greb is one of these hopefuls. He has been signed to tackle Dempsey in the near future. Greb's recent one-round K. O. victory over Gunboat Smith has made him feel quite perky.

## MANAGER, BOXER, REFEREE BARRED BY PHILLY CHIEF

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22.—Referee Tommy Keenan, boxer Bobby Burman and his manager, Eddie Hayes, have been suspended by Director of Police Cortelyou for the free-for-all fight they staged in the National club ring Saturday night.

Keenan started the fuss when he took a punch at Burman, when the latter spit in his face after being warned for rough fighting. Burman then floored Keenan, and when the latter arose Hayes jumped into the ring and knocked Keenan down.

Police arrested Burman and his manager. Keenan, however, refused to appear against them, and they were released.

Director Cortelyou took a hand in the matter late yesterday, and announced that the three men were suspended from all ring activities until further notice. Keenan is a former international league baseball umpire.

## ALL SAINTS DEFEAT HOOSIERS

The fast Hoosier five of Whiting were defeated by the fast All Saints to the tune of 22 to 17. It was a hard fought battle from the beginning until the end. At the end of the first half the score was 10 to 6 in favor of the Whiting five. Jack Leeney starred for the All Saints while Tom Kedar for the Hoosier. Much credit must be given to the Whiting lads because they did not give up until the last minute. The line-up was as follows:

**All Saints:**  
J. Leeney, R.F. (Capt.) Kedar  
D. Slavin, L.F. Cannor  
R. Schafer, R.G. Etter  
R. Beatty, L.G. Goldrich  
D. Leeney, Capt. Meek  
All Saints subs—O'Connor and Visconti.  
Field baskets—J. Leeney (5), D. Slavin (2), O'Connor, Schafer (2); Kedar (2), Cannor (2), Goldrich, Free throws—Slavin 1 out of 4, Cannor 1 out of 5.  
Much credit is due to Alexander Wayne the referee. All Saints would like to hear from Troop 1, 2 and 5, or any team averaging 110 lbs. For game call Hammond 2716 or write D. Leeney, 488 Becker street, Hammond.

## WIND MAKES SHOOTING HARD

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)  
WHITING, Ind., Dec. 22.—Team No. 2 composed of Joe Wilcockson and John Eck won the two man team race shot over the Whiting park traps Sunday, Dec. 19. It was a cold raw wind that blew over the traps which made shooting difficult and the targets speedy. Six teams entered the event. Team No. 2 composed of O. D. Lottinville and K. L. Devore started off with some great shooting, even leading the winning team for a short time.

The twenty-five added target event was a tie between Joe Wilcockson and O. D. Lottinville for first place with 28x25. Dr. Timm finishing third with 22. Following are the scores in the fifty bird two-man team race: Team No. 1, Dr. Timm, L. N. Dunning, 73; No. 2, Joe Wilcockson and John Eck, 81; No. 3, O. D. Lottinville and K. L. Devore, 79; No. 4, Wm. E. Vator and H. Fetta, 74; No. 5, A. D. Buchanan and R. McCool, 64; No. 6, A. Devore and Gus Ollrich, 73.

## OUR FIGHT DECISIONS

Decisions of boxing representatives are:  
At Boston—Harry Greb beat Bob Roper (10).  
At New York—Billy De Foe drew with Freddie Jackson (10). Johnnie Drummond beat Spider Roach (10). Frankie Jerome knocked out Frankie Currie (7). Bobby Lyons drew with Jacky Stern (10).  
At Aurora, Ill.—Kid Herman drew with Freddie Knack (10). Jack Perry knocked out Kid Keenling (2). Joe Harrison knocked out Johnny Baynes (2). Kid Blume knocked out Kid Burns (4).  
At Milwaukee—Johnny Mendelsohn drew with Otto Wallace (10).

## Thorn Tornadoes to Play Boosters Sunday

The Chicago Boosters, champions of the Chicago Football League, will meet the Thorn Tornadoes of Pullman Sunday in Dexter Park pavilion. It will be the first clash of these teams. The Boosters are in the best of condition. Since winning their title two weeks ago they have been in active training in anticipation of this contest. Gil Falcon of the Tigers will play full for the T. N. T. eleven. The pavilion has been arranged to seat 3,000 and it is well heated, so that the fans can enjoy the game in comfort.

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## Pekin Kid Herman and Enck Box Draw at Aurora

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 22.—Kid Herman of Pekin, Ill., and Freddie Enck of Aurora went ten rounds to a draw here last night. In the semi-wind-up Jack Perry stopped Kid Keenling in two rounds. Joe Harrison of Ottawa knocked out Johnny Baynes in two rounds and Kid Blume knocked out Kid Burns in four rounds.

## One Lung Functioning. Doctor Hopes for Matty

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 22.—According to his physician, Dr. E. N. Packard, Christy Mathewson, once star pitcher of the New York Giants, is doing as well as can be expected. The doctor stated that one lung has collapsed and is useless. The other, however, is functioning properly.

Dr. Packard said: "I have high hopes for the ultimate recovery of Mr. Mathewson."

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## Workman Sues When Hurt in Factory Baseball Game

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## Harry Greb is Victor Over Capt. Bob Roper

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Harry Greb of Pittsburgh won the decision over Capt. Bob Roper, Chicago heavyweight, in their ten rounds of boxing here last night. Greb took every round, leading all the way, with a smashing whirlwind attack that apparently had Roper helpless.

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